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**BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

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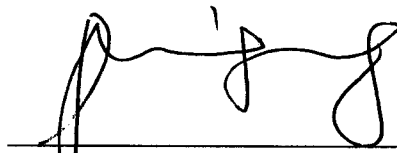
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SIR:

In response to the Office Communication dated October 23, 2006, Applicants submits  
herewith Appellants' Brief on Appeal.

Respectfully submitted,

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